THE MINSTER - *OF FI*NANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (c) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have reported that they had appointed an Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri D.R. Mehta, the they Deputy Governor, RBI to review the Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) and to recommend suitable measures for strengthening it with a view to make it more effective for alleviation of Poverty. Pursuant to the interim report of the Committee, the scheme has been modified to provide a substantially higher finance package to groups of persons. The subsidy is now back-ended and the celling on the programme infastructure has been enhanced.

**Demand of News-Casters Association to press for pay hike etc.**

365. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR : SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE : SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian News-Casters Association has been agitating,to press their demands for pay-hikt and better working conditions;

(b) if so, what are their precise demands; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CM. IBRAHIM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**To erect and develop infrastructure for Civil Aviation in Gujarat**

366. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) what target has' been fixed to erect and develop infrastructure for Civil Aviation in Gujarat during VIIIth Five Year Plan;

(b) what amount has been allocated for this purpose; and

(c) what are the year-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI CM. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c) A statement in attached.

**Statement**

*Development of Civil Aviation Infrastructure in. Gujarat during V1II Five Year Plan*

| STATION/SCHEMES | EST. COST | ACTUAL EXPENDITURE (PROVISIONAL) | | | | BE |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 92-93 | 93-94 | 94-95 | 95-96 | 96-97 |
| | | | | | (RS. IN | LAKHS) |
| AHMEDABAD | 800 | 306.75 | 2046.50 | 127.50 | | 100 |
| Extn. of runwy upto 11500 ft. Various | 2972.00 | | | | | 362.00 |
| Aeronautical Communication equipments | | | | | | |
| VADODARA | | | | | | |
| Constn. of new terminal bldg. Extn. | 1486.00 | 150.00 | 358.00 | 328.00 | 271.57 | 350.00 |
| of new apron & additional taxitrack | 245.75 | | | | IIS.45 | 96. 00 |
| cor.stn. of Tech Block &. control tower Compound wall Various | 87.06 177.00 | | 35.34 | 59.66 | 80.22 | 68.00 |
| Aeronautical Communication equipments | 295.00 | | | | 85.00 | 210.00 |